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STARTING METHOD AND STARTING DEVICE OF INTERNAL COMBUSTION ENGINE, METHOD AND DEVICE OF ESTIMATING STARTING ENERGY

EMPLOYED FOR STARTING METHOD AND STARTING DEVICE

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